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HW: "Synthetic Division of Polynomials" worksheet #2-10 even

AIM: How do we use Synthetic Division?

Warm Up:

1) Use long division to divide:

$$(2x^3 - 9x^2 + 10x - 7) \div (x - 3)$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x-3 \overline{) 2x^3 - 9x^2 + 10x - 7} \\
 \underline{-(2x^3 - 6x^2)} \downarrow \\
 -3x^2 + 10x \downarrow \\
 \underline{-(-3x^2 + 9x)} \downarrow \\
 x - 7 \\
 \underline{-(x - 3)} \\
 -4
 \end{array}$$

$2x^2 - 3x + 1 + \frac{-4}{x-3}$

Is there another way to find the quotient and remainder of the warm up?

Synthetic Division

$$(2x^3 - 9x^2 + 10x - 7) \div (x - 3)$$

Steps

- 1) First, write the coefficients ONLY inside an upside-down division symbol:

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} & 2 & -9 & 10 & -7 \end{array}$$

- 2) Solve the divisor for x and place that value outside

$$x - 3 = 0$$

$$x = 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 2 & -9 & 10 & -7 \end{array}$$

- 3) Take the first number inside, representing the leading coefficient, and carry it down, unchanged, to below the division symbol:

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 2 & -9 & 10 & -7 \\ & 2 & & & \end{array}$$

- 4) Multiply the outside value by the carry down value and place that number under the second coefficient

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 2 & -9 & 10 & -7 \\ & 2 & 6 & & \end{array}$$

- 5) Add down the column:

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 2 & -9 & 10 & -7 \\ & 2 & 6 & & \\ \hline & & & 2 & -3 \end{array}$$

- 6) Multiply the result by the outside value and place the result under the third coefficient

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 2 & -9 & 10 & -7 \\ & 2 & 6 & -9 & \\ \hline & & & & 2 & -3 & 1 \end{array}$$

- 7) Repeat the process until there are no columns remaining

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 2 & -9 & 10 & -7 \\ & 2 & 6 & -9 & 3 \\ \hline & & & & & 2 & -3 & 1 & -4 \end{array}$$

- 8) The last value is the remainder and the remaining values are the coefficients of the quotient, right to left in ascending order

$$2x^2 - 3x + 1 + \frac{-4}{x - 3}$$

Use Synthetic Division to find the quotient and remainder of the following:

$$1) (x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x + 6) \div (x - 3)$$

$x - 3 = 0$
 $x = 3$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 3 & 1 & -2 & -5 & 6 \\ & \downarrow \oplus & \oplus & \oplus & \\ & 3 & 3 & -6 & \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^2 + 1x - 2$

$$3) (2x^3 + x^2 - 3x + 7) \div (x + 1)$$

$x + 1 = 0$
 $x = -1$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -1 & 2 & 1 & -3 & 7 \\ & \downarrow \oplus & \oplus & \oplus & \\ & -2 & -2 & 2 & \\ \hline & 2 & -1 & -2 & 9 \end{array}$$

$2x^2 - 1x - 2 + \frac{9}{x+1}$

$$5) (x^4 - 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 2x + 1) \div (x + 2)$$

$$7) (3x^4 + x^3 - 2x + 3) \div (x + 1)$$

$$9) (x^4 - 16) \div (x - 2)$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -16 \\ & & 2 & 4 & 8 & 16 \\ \hline & 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 & 0 \end{array}$$

$x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x + 8$

all points are (x, y)
when we use x we get an answer
The answer is y (or $f(x)$)
The answer is also the
remainder when we divide
Roots have no remainder so all
points are $(x, 0)$
All other points are $(x, \text{remainder})$